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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

DIME *et al.*

Application No.: 09/367,794

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For: SITE-SPECIFIC DRUG  
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 6, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A response to the action was due on June 6, 2003. As such, a two-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are being submitted concurrently herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Drawings** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.